

## PRACTICE WITH SIMPLE MODALS (1<sup>o</sup> Bach)

### 1. Fill in the blanks with **MUST** or the correct form of **HAVE TO**

1. I \_\_\_\_\_ leave the party early last night. I wasn't very well.
2. You \_\_\_\_\_ get up early tomorrow if you want to catch the bus.
3. \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ get a visa to come here?
4. It was a very bad accident. You \_\_\_\_\_ be more careful in future.
5. He 's been ill. He \_\_\_\_\_ stay in bed since last month.
6. I've told the children that they \_\_\_\_\_ come home before ten on Saturdays.
7. \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ do military service in your country when you were young?
8. They were very rude. They \_\_\_\_\_ apologize the next day.
9. The teacher told us that we \_\_\_\_\_ work harder.
10. You \_\_\_\_\_ get a passport before you go abroad next month.
11. We \_\_\_\_\_ come back by boat because the airport was closed by fog.
12. I \_\_\_\_\_ go to the bank yesterday to get some money.
13. The windows are very dirty. I \_\_\_\_\_ clean them.
14. The windows were very dirty yesterday. I \_\_\_\_\_ clean them.
15. I \_\_\_\_\_ get up early tomorrow. I've got a lot to do.
16. Come on! We \_\_\_\_\_ hurry. We haven't got much time.

### 2. Fill in the blanks with the correct form of **CAN/COULD/MAY/ BE ALLOWED TO**.

1. You \_\_\_\_\_ sit here.
2. My mother says I \_\_\_\_\_ go out tonight.
3. \_\_\_\_\_ I have a glass of water, please?
4. \_\_\_\_\_ I come and see you tomorrow?
5. \_\_\_\_\_ the children go to the cinema tonight?
6. \_\_\_\_\_ I smoke in here?
7. \_\_\_\_\_ I have one of those cakes?
8. \_\_\_\_\_ I ask you some questions?
9. Visitors \_\_\_\_\_ stay in the hospital after ten pm.
10. \_\_\_\_\_ I use your phone?
11. Guests \_\_\_\_\_ wear casual dress in the last party.
12. When I was at school we \_\_\_\_\_ play football at break time.
13. \_\_\_\_\_ I have more food? No, you \_\_\_\_\_.
14. As a child \_\_\_\_\_ I keep a pet mouse.
15. I've never \_\_\_\_\_ have a party at Christmas.
16. \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ come to the cinema with us next Sunday?
17. She \_\_\_\_\_ (not) marry by her parents.
18. \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ skate on the ice last winter?
19. \_\_\_\_\_ we have some more biscuits mum?
20. \_\_\_\_\_ I have a word with you, please?

### 3. Complete these sentences using the correct form of **CAN, COULD, BE ABLE TO**

1. I'll \_\_\_\_\_ see you tomorrow.
2. It was too expensive. I \_\_\_\_\_ buy it.
3. \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ come with us next Thursday?
4. Will she \_\_\_\_\_ come to the office tomorrow?
5. I tried to see her but I \_\_\_\_\_.
6. I \_\_\_\_\_ come tomorrow, I'm afraid. I'm too busy.
7. \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ contact your parents yesterday?
8. He \_\_\_\_\_ ( not ) work since his illness.
9. After a few hours, I \_\_\_\_\_ open the door and get out.
10. I \_\_\_\_\_ see you next Monday at ten.
11. When they came back from Paris, they \_\_\_\_\_ speak perfect French.

### 3. Complete the sentences with the modals below.

**shouldn't ■ mustn't ■ might ■ ought to ■ must ■ could ■ can't ■ have to**

1. That ..... be Mary. She's away on holiday. But that girl really resembles her.
2. Remember – you ..... use your mobile phone on the plane. It's not allowed.
3. .... I have a glass of water, please?
4. In my opinion, she ..... leave her job. She hates it.
5. We ..... give the dog so much food. I think he's getting a bit fat.
6. They ..... share a flat again next year but they're still not certain.
7. She was glad that she didn't ..... do all the work on her own.
8. You ..... be so hungry! Otherwise, you wouldn't be eating these disgusting chips!

### 4. Rewrite the sentences using the words in brackets. Do not change the original meaning of the sentences.

1. There's a possibility that Tom will be in London tomorrow. (might)  
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2. Is it possible for me to borrow this book? (could)  
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3. She is undoubtedly a great football player, because three teams want to sign her. (must)  
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4. It would be a good idea for you to go to bed early tonight. (should)  
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| 5. It's impossible for me to buy a moped this year. (can't)                  | 16. ¿Qué vas a comprar? Pudiera ser que me comprara unos zapatos. |
| 6. Is it necessary for you to go to the meeting today? (need to)             | 17. Coge un paraguas. Pudiera ser que lloviera hoy.               |
| 7. He isn't obligated to tell Miranda where he was last night. (not have to) | 18. Puede ser que Carlos viaje a París la próxima semana.         |
| 8. Are we required to wear school uniforms? (have to)                        |   |

**5 Rewrite the sentences with the modals below. Do not change the meaning of the original sentence.**  
**mustn't ■ can't ■ must ■ have to ■ can ■ should ■ might**

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| 1. Are the students required to wear uniforms?                            | 19. ¿Sabes si están casados? No estoy seguro: Puede ser que sí. |
| 2. I recommend that you stop smoking.                                     | 20. Pudiera ser que estuviera diciendo la verdad.               |
| 3. It's possible that it will rain this weekend.                          |   |
| 4. Do you know how to play tennis?  |   |
| 5. I'm sure he's not over 30. He looks very young.                        |   |
| 6. We're not allowed to practise basketball on this court after 11.00 pm. |   |
| 7. I'm sure that Linda is happy about going to Greece.                    |   |

### 5. Translate these sentences into English.

- ¿Puedes abrir la puerta, por favor?
- ¿Puedes venir a verme mañana?
- ¿Puedes pasarme la sal?
- ¿Puedes ayudarme con la maleta, por favor?
- ¿Puedes contestar al teléfono por mí?
- ¿Podría decirme la hora, por favor?
- ¿Puedes ir a buscar a mi hermano allí?
- ¿Podría usted esperar un momento?
- ¿Puedes llamar a un taxi por mí?
- ¿Podéis decirle a ella que estaré de vuelta a las seis?
- ¿Podría cambiarme este billete?
- ¿Podría decirme el camino al aeropuerto?
- ¿Puedes decirme como se le cambia el carrete a esta cámara?
- Puede que Tom llegue tarde hoy.
- Puede ser que no la veamos esta tarde.